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August 17, 2022

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## VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Re: Executive Order of Suspension, Exec. Order No. 22-176

Dear Mr. Warren:

As noted in our prior correspondence, the Senate's process for acting on the matter of your reinstatement to or removal from office is governed by Part V, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes and Senate Rule 12. Senate Rule 12.9 states, in relevant part, that the Senate process shall be held in abeyance and the matter shall not be considered by the Senate until final determination of a court challenge and the exhaustion of all appellate remedies.

Given the challenge initiated today in federal court, President Simpson has directed me to inform you the matter of your reinstatement to or removal from office by the Florida Senate is now held in abeyance.

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The Senate respectfully requests your counsel keep Mr. Rey appraised as to the progress of the aforementioned litigation. Senate Rules provide the President discretion to proceed if he determines due process requires the Senate to move forward.

If you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

Debbie Brown Secretary

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